

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 745 – SB 975

February 28, 2017

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Authorizes security guards who are employed on a part-time basis by a public institution of higher education, and who are valid handgun carry permit holders pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-17-1351, to possess a handgun while on property owned, operated, or controlled by a public institution of higher education provided certain requirements are met.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (004110): Deletes and rewrites the bill such that the amended bill authorizes any person employed on a part-time basis by a public institution of higher education, and who are valid handgun carry permit holders pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-17-1351, to possess a handgun while on property owned, operated, or controlled by a public institution of higher education provided certain requirements are met.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Under current law, pursuant to Tenn. Code. Ann. § 39-17-1309(e), full-time employees of a public institution of higher education who are valid handgun carry permit holders are authorized to possess a handgun while on property owned, operated, or controlled by a public institution of higher education, provided certain requirements are met.
- Part-time employees of a public institution of higher education who meet the requirements of the bill as amended will be placed under similar policies and procedures used to authorize military and faculty members to possess handguns on campus pursuant to the Public Acts 2016, Public Chapter 1061.

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- Any changes to such policies or procedures as a result of incorporating part-time employees who possess a valid handgun carry permit can be accomplished without any significant increase in state or local expenditures.
- No significant change in the number of Class E felony convictions for carrying a weapon on school property pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-17-1309(b)(2); as a result, no significant change in state incarceration costs.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Krista M. Lee". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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